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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: AROUSSI, ABDELWAHAB, et al.

Serial No.: 10/527,444

**Date: October 27, 2005**

Filed: 09/09/2003

For: FLOW HOMOGENIZER

**DECLARATION OF CAROLINE MARSHALL**

I declare that:

1. I am employed by the law firm of Eric Potter Clarkson with offices at Park View House, 58 the Ropewalk, Nottingham, NG15DD, United Kingdom.
2. The firm of Eric Potter Clarkson limits its law practice to matters relating to patent, trademarks, designs and copyright.
3. One of my duties includes interfacing with clients and inventors to prepare and attend to execution of various formal documents relating to legal matters being handled by the firm.
4. The present United States application is a national application arising from a PCT application, Serial No. PCT/GB03/003919, which claims priority to British application, Serial No. 0220814.8. The British application discloses and claims the same invention disclosed and

claimed in the present United States application.

5. Exhibit A is a copy of an Assignment of British patent application Serial No. 0220814.8 executed by three joint inventors, DRS. ABDELWAHAB AROUSSI, FAYCAL BAHRI and MOHAMED MENACER, who are the same inventors named in the present United States application. As I stated on Exhibit A and hereby confirm, the Assignment identified as Exhibit A is a true copy of the original Assignment.

6. I presented to DR. AROUSSI a document entitled Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b) pertaining to the present application which 'Statement' he executed on 20 April 2005. (See Exhibit B).

7. I presented to DR. AROUSSI a document entitled Power of Attorney and Correspondence Address Indication Form, which he executed on 20 April 2005. (See Exhibit C).

8. I presented to DR. AROUSSI a document entitled Declaration For Utility or Design Patent Application (37 CFR 1.63), along with a copy of the present application, including the specification, claims and drawings, which he executed on 20 April 2005. (See Exhibit D).

9. Under a cover letter dated 20 July 2005 (Exhibit E) I mailed to DR. MENACER at his last known home address of 42 Manston Mews, Radford, Nottingham, United Kingdom NG7 3QY a Declaration for Utility or Design Patent Application (37 CFR 1.63) along

with a copy of the present application, including the specification, claims and drawings (package). This package was mailed using Royal Mail recorded delivery to DR. MENACER'S home address (recorded delivery requires the addressee to sign on delivery and thereby acknowledge receipt). The cover letter asked for a reply by 29 July 2005.

10. Under a cover letter dated 20 July 2005 (Exhibit F) I mailed to DR. BAHRI at his last known home address of 22 Charles Avenue, Chilwell, Nottingham, United Kingdom NG9 5EE a Declaration for Utility or Design Patent Application (37 CFR 1.63) along with a copy of the present application, including the specification, claims and drawings (package). This package was mailed to DR. BAHRI'S home address using Royal Mail recorded delivery.

11. Exhibit G is a copy of our receipt for dispatch of each of the Royal Mail recorded delivery letters recited above in paragraphs 8 and 9.

12. Exhibit H is a print out from the "Track and Trace" facility of the Royal Mail website. It indicates that the package sent to DR. MENACER was not signed for.

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14. To date neither DR. MENACER nor DR. BAHRI has returned the respective Declaration for Utility or Design Patent Application documents pertaining to the present United

States application. Moreover, neither of these inventors has attempted to make any contact with the undersigned.

15. All statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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